IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

DR. MARKCUS KITCHENS, JR. : CIVIL ACTION

:

v. : NO. 22-3301

:

NATIONAL BOARD OF MEDICAL

EXAMINERS

<u>ORDER</u>

AND NOW, this 29th day of June 2023, upon considering plaintiff's letter request to waive the court transcript fee (DI 86), it is **ORDERED**:

- 1. Under 28 U.S.C. § 753(d), reporters "may charge and collect fees for transcripts requested by the parties." But the United States will pay the fees for persons permitted to sue *in forma pauperis* where the judge certifies that the suit is not frivolous and the transcript is needed to decide an issue in the case. *Id*.
- 2. This suit is not frivolous, and the transcript is necessary for us to render a final decision. But because Dr. Kitchens is not proceeding *in forma pauperis* in this case, we do not think it appropriate for the United States to pay the fees.
- 3. That said, if he wishes, Dr. Kitchens may complete the IFP form found on our Court's website (https://www.paed.uscourts.gov/documents/forms/ifpl.pdf) and file it no later than July 14, 2023, upon which time we will reconsider this decision.

MURPHY, J.